CITY AND REGIONAL PLANNERS: GLOBAL NETWORK

Be part of it!
Founded in 1965, ISOCARP is a global nonprofit association of experienced professionals from academia, governmental organisations, and private consultancies.

Highly-qualified urban and regional planners from various sectors aim at mutual cooperation and world-wide networking in order to facilitate the improvement of our cities and territories through research, planning practice, education, and training. ISOCARP is officially recognised by the Council of Europe, UNESCO, UN-Habitat, and United Nations.
ISOCARP Objectives

IMPROVE the planning practice through creating a global network of practitioners.

DEVELOP and MAINTAIN fraternal relations between members.

ENCOURAGE the professional exchange of knowledge.

PROMOTE the planning profession and excellence in practice in all its forms.

FOSTER planning research, training, and education.

ENHANCE public awareness and understanding of major planning issues at the global level.

SUPPORT and PROTECT planning interests and professional planners internationally.
87 National Delegations

HEAD OFFICE
The Hague, The Netherlands

LIASION OFFICES
Brussels, Belgium
Nairobi, Kenya
Beijing, China

Institutional Members

Ministry City Council Institute University Library Association Society Studio Office
Our Programme

The Society’s main event is focused on a globally significant planning theme each year.

Since 1965, ISOCARP Congresses have taken place in all parts of the world always promoting creation and sharing of knowledge in the planning profession. The wealth and diversity of professional expertise, knowledge, and experience among the ISOCARP members is unmatched in the planning field.

“Knowledge for Better Cities”

“The outcomes and results of the 2015 ISOCARP congress need to be available in different forms – web page, CDs, books, follow-up workshops in different regions – and last but not least – friendships and alliances between people thinking in the same way and for the common good.”

NATAŠA PICHLER-MILANOVIĆ
Established in 1991 through the partnership with UNESCO, YPP programme aims at providing young and ambitious planning professionals with an opportunity to learn and work in a multi-cultural setting and share their experiences.

- Brief, but intense brainstorming, planning and design exercises
- Tackling real-life planning problems in the host cities
- Entrance to Full Membership
- Assignment of experienced ISOCARP members as the YPP groups’ tutors
Through the UPATs, ISOCARP members are mobilised for singular urban initiatives with international relevance. During the one-week workshop, the UPAT team - comprising both experienced and young planners - seeks to provide the cutting-edge solutions to the current spatial problems.

- Dissemination of experience in planning, design, and city management
- Exchange of practical knowledge in an interdisciplinary manner
- Expert advise to the regions and cities all over the world
- Multicultural and transdisciplinary cooperation
ISOCARP Institute

ISOCARP Institute is “a world-class knowledge bank and think tank for planning excellence, which empowers individuals, organisations and institutions to achieve better human settlements.”

• Design and deliver capacity building and continuing education programmes
• Offer advice services to government, NGOs and international bodies worldwide
• Provide training courses, seminars, and certificate programmes

Topics offered:
1. Inclusive Cities
2. Migration and Refugees in Urban Areas
3. Safer Cities
4. Urban Culture and Heritage
5. Urban Rules and Legislation
6. Urban Governance
7. Municipal Finance
8. Urban and Spatial Planning and Design
9. Urban Land
10. Urban-Rural Linkages
11. Public Space
12. Local Economic Development
13. Jobs and Livelihoods
14. Informal Sector
15. Urban Resilience
17. Cities, Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management
18. Urban Infrastructure and Basic Services, including Energy
19. Transport and Mobility
20. Housing
21. Smart Cities
22. Informal Settlements
Mentor & Student Research Lab

Mentor a Paper
• Advising the authors by experienced ISOCARP members (mentors)
• Best quality of the papers, mutual benefit and knowledge transfer

Mentoring Sessions
• Networking, guidance and sharing ideas of ISOCARP at the congress
• Career development through getting engaged in the ISOCARP activities

Student Research Lab
• Workshop-based platform for research
• Collaboration among professionals, graduates and PhD students
Awards

Awards for Excellence
The ISOCARP Awards for Excellence are conferred in recognition of exceptionally innovative urban and regional projects.

Gerd Albers Award
The award is given for the best ISOCARP members’ publications - books, chapters, journal articles, and project reports.

Routledge Poster Prize
Poster Exhibition sponsored by the Routledge is aimed at stimulating young planners and their creative and imaginative work.

Student Award
The Student Award is addressed to a student with outstanding results in a related field to urban and regional planning.
Publications

ISOCARP Review is considered a flagship of ISOCARP series of thematic publications. It complements the research efforts prepared for the annual ISOCARP Congress. Other publications include:

- Congress Reports
- Project Reports
- International Manual of Planning Practice (IMPP)
- YPP Reports
- UPAT Reports
- PLAN Magazine
Collaborations & Partnerships

ISOCARP participates in a variety of external projects under different programmes (UN-Habitat, European Union), and collaborates with a world renowned organisations (World Health Organization, Philips, Global Planners Network, etc).

ISOCARP has also established partnerships around the world. These mutually beneficial partnerships can take different forms, such as:

• Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs)
• Publication Partnerships
• Event Endorsement Agreements
• Sponsoring opportunities
National Delegations

ISOCARP National Delegations organise diverse activities, whereas the most important are the Regional Workshops. They provide a platform for the ISOCARP members to participate actively in an exchange about a topical issue. Each ISOCARP member can be involved in national activities.

- Incentive Funds for ND activities encourage more ND initiatives
- Two NDs per year are funded to organise a regional workshop
- ND requests are reviewed on ‘first come - first serve’ basis
- ND members actively participate in the workshops
- ND members have a possibility to discuss the future of ISOCARP

“ISOCARP – networking, friends, family. I can reach out to colleagues almost anywhere around the world and as ISOCARP members they would gladly respond.”

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... Access digital materials for free and events for a reduced price.

... Share your expertise, speak at events, publish your research, collaborate in our expert workshops, be a mentor!

... Find collaborators. Complete business deals.
Join us to...

... Expand your professional network and global outreach.

... Learn from best practices on complex issues, get engaged by inspiring ideas.

... Become friends!
Annual Planning Congresses (1965-2017)


Gdynia, Glasgow, Durban, Moscow, Guangzhou, Gdynia, Wroclaw, Shenzhen, Al Ain, Abu Dhabi, Brisbane, Ulyanovsk, Lisbon, Puschino, Perm, Wuhan, Nairobi, Porto, Dalian, Antwerp, Istanbul, Bilbao, Geneva, Cairo, Athens, Enschede, Cancun, Gelsenkirchen, Azores, Ogaki, Jerusalem, Sydney, Prague, Cordoba, Guadalajara

Urban Planning Advisory Team Workshops (2005-2017)

Bode, Wuhan, Gaza, West Bank, Nanjing, Tlatnepantla, Shantou, Perm, Sitges, Singapore, Szczecin, Zurich Limmat Valley, Guadalajara, Lincoln City, Cuenca, Schwechat, Rijswijk, Schiphol Region, Cancun, La Rioja
Sharing knowledge for better cities around the world for more than 50 years!
Become a Member!
Let’s work together on “Knowledge for Better Cities”.

**Individual Membership**

- **Member**
  - four types of fees upon the WB GNI
  - A/B/C/D

- **Young Member**
  - under 35, 50% off
  - 50%

- **Retired Member**
  - senior member, 50% off
  - 50%

- **Affiliate Member**
  - members/employees of an Institutional Member
  - A/B/C/D

**Benefits**

- **HAVE A SAY** in issues of your interest.
- **PARTICIPATE** as expert in our programmes.
- **ENJOY** reduced rates for ISOCARP events and publications, and discounts at partnered events.
- **RECEIVE** regular newsletters and updates on the progress of our activities.
- **ACCESS** the Members’ Area and Forum on ISOCARP website.
- **USE** the voting rights and eligibility for elected positions.

**Institutional Membership**

- **Local, Regional, National Governments**
- **Institutes & Organisations**

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<td><strong>ENTITLE</strong> a Panel Exhibition Stand at the ISOCARP Congress.</td>
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<td><strong>APPOINT</strong> an Official Representative with privileges of full member.</td>
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<td><strong>INVITE</strong> your members and/or employees to apply for Full Affiliate Membership (FAM). FAM fee is lower compared to individual membership fee.</td>
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Procedure
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Join ISOCARP

Join this global network and leading organization of planners. The multi-angle perspective of having members from academia, government, organizations and agencies and from the private sector makes ISOCARP unique. Let’s work together on Knowledge for better cities.

ISOCARP welcomes membership applications from individuals and institutions.

We would be happy to get you in touch with a member in your country. Contact our Head Office and we will forward your details!

1. Fill out the Application Form online
2. Pay an application fee of €25
3. Expect a response in 10 days

1. Fill out the Application Form online
2. Fill out Designation Form
3. Your Institutional Representative Member applies for Individual Membership

Become a member

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To learn more about ISOCARP activities or to get in touch with its members nearby please visit the ISOCARP website or contact the Head Office in the Hague.

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